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Assistant Director for Operations

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Chief, PBIB

PBIB Progress Report for Month of March 1947

1. The following developments represent significant progress made by PBIB during the month of March 1947:

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a. Movement of the [redacted] was approved by the Director, Central Intelligence Group, on March 7, 1947. Negotiations for leasing the property at [redacted] are being conducted by representatives of P & A in conjunction with PBIB personnel from the [redacted] Mission.

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b. Operational evaluation of test monitoring in the Far East indicates that a listening post established at [redacted], would supply adequate coverage of the entire Far East without a supplementary post in [redacted]. Communications between [redacted] are being tested. Study is being made of the probable effect on such a post [redacted]

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c. Reconnaissance in the vicinity of Washington, D. C., for a site at which to relocate the [redacted] has continued. Additional study has been made of the site at [redacted] which at this time is considered the most desirable location in the vicinity of Washington, D. C., with the exception of [redacted] which has been eliminated from consideration.

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d. Beginning February 24, 1947, the Daily Report, has been issued in two sections, a "Restricted" Section containing press material, and an "Unrestricted" Section containing voice broadcasts.

e. Special weekly reports on Moscow radio reaction to the Moscow Peace Conference were prepared for the Secretary of State on February 18, 25 and March 4, 1947. Since March 10, 1947, a daily report on this subject has been filed to the Secretary of State in Moscow. This service will continue for the duration of the conference.

f. A special release on the subject of World Radio Reaction to Speech of President Truman on March 12, 1947 asking for aid to Greece and Turkey was issued on March 21, 1947.

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g. The editor in charge of the "B" wire visited OIC in [redacted] to determine more adequately the nature of the material and quantity thereof desired. This visit has resulted in markedly increased efficiency of this service.

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b. [redacted], Chief of Fiscal Section, Finance Division, CIG,
departed March 4, 1947 for London and [redacted] for the purpose of setting up and
standardising FBIB financial procedures at those field missions. His mission
in London has been completed. He is at present in [redacted]

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